

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A sleeve handle for use in combination with a plurality of different ~~types of~~ sleeves for surgical operations, said handle comprising:

an end that is constructed for mounting the different ~~types of~~ sleeves thereto;

a first arrangement for interacting with a mounted first sleeve ~~of a first type~~; and

a second arrangement for interacting with a mounted second sleeve ~~of at least one second type~~;

wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ first arrangement is configured for preventing ~~prevents~~ rotation of the mounted first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ relative to said end in both a clockwise direction and a counterclockwise direction and said ~~[[the]]~~ second arrangement is configured for permitting ~~permits~~ guided rotation of the mounted second sleeve ~~of the second type~~ relative to said end.

2. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ first arrangement is constructed for interacting ~~so as to interact~~ with a complementary arrangement on the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ in a form-locking or frictional-locking manner.

3. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ first arrangement comprises at least one blocking element for engaging a complimentary blocking element on the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ for eliminating rotation of the mounted first sleeve ~~of the first type~~.

4. (Original) The sleeve handle according to claim 3, wherein said [[the]] blocking element on the first arrangement is configured as a recess or as a projection.

5. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said [[the]] first arrangement allows for a rotation-proof fixing of the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ in various angular positions with respect to said [[the]] handle.

6. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 5, wherein said [[the]] first arrangement possesses a plurality of blocking elements, which are spaced apart in the peripheral direction of an imaginary axis of rotation of the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~.

7. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said [[the]] second arrangement possesses a guide element in the form of at least one guide projection or at least one guide groove, which guide element is constructed for interacting so as to interact with a complementary guide element on the second sleeve ~~of the second type~~.

8. (Original) The sleeve handle according to claim 7, wherein said [[the]] guide projection is pretensioned in the direction of the guide groove.

9. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said [[the]] second arrangement permits captive but rotatable mounting of the second sleeve ~~of the second type~~ at the end of the handle.

10. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein the second arrangement permits captive mounting of the first sleeve and the second sleeve, ~~both of the first and also of the second type~~, at said [[the]] end of said [[the]] handle.

11. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 1, wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ handle possesses, at said ~~[[its]]~~ end which is constructed for mounting the first sleeve~~[[s]]~~ and the second sleeve, an aperture into which the ~~[[said]]~~ first sleeve~~[[s]]~~ and the second sleeve can be introduced, and wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ second arrangement is disposed in a region of a side wall of said aperture.

12-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A sleeve handle for use in surgical operations, said ~~[[the]]~~ sleeve handle comprising:

a handle portion that allows for a mounting of at least a first sleeve ~~of a first type~~ and a second sleeve ~~of a second type~~;

a first arrangement for interacting with a mounted first sleeve ~~of a first type~~ to prevent rotation of the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ relative to said ~~[[the]]~~ handle portion in both a clockwise direction and a counterclockwise direction; and

a second arrangement for interacting with a mounted second sleeve ~~of a second type~~ allowing guided rotation of ~~[[a]]~~ the mounted second sleeve ~~of the second type~~ relative to said handle portion.

18. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 17, wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ first arrangement interacts with the first sleeve ~~of the first type~~ in a form-locking or frictional- locking manner.

19. (Currently Amended) The sleeve handle according to claim 17, wherein said ~~[[the]]~~ second arrangement includes a guide element for rotationally guiding the mounted second sleeve ~~of the second type~~.

20. (Original) The sleeve handle according to claim 19, wherein said [[the]] guide element includes one or more guide projections or one or more guide grooves.